

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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SBI BRANCHES ABROAD
Sen Smt. Minati

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of branches of State Bank of India(SBI) at Tehran in Iran;
- (b) whether SBI is playing a vital role in trade relations with Iran;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any country trying to block the business of SBI in Tehran; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL):

- (a) The State Bank of India (SBI) does not have any branch at Tehran. However, it has one Representative Office at Tehran.
- (b) and (c) Yes, Sir. SBI is facilitating India-Iran trade through its representative office at Tehran and its branches in India.
- (d) No, Sir.
- (e) Does not arise.